industrial houses. Under the terms of contract these houses are allowed to display small advertisements. The contract of landscaping at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) was awarded to a concern who has in turn picked up Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) as their client. This contract of PIA is expiring on 30-1-95.

Recovery of the Outstanding Bills of Ashoka Hotel, New Delhi

2324. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the outstand bills to be recovered from various clients of the Ashoka Hotel, New Delhi; as at the end of the financial year ending March 31, 1994; and

(b) the reasons for the delay in recovering the amounts and what steps are being taken to recover the same?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The total outstanding of sundry debtors of Ashoka Hotel, New Delhi as on 31 March, 1994 amounted to Rs. 635.42 lacs.
Category-wise details are given as under:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Category	Outstanding Amount
Government	246.78
Travel Agent	130.20
Private	171.19
Card Holders	9.03
Lincensees	42.70
Other (Guest Ledger)	35.52
TOTAL :	635.42

(b) The delay in recoveries has been caused mainly by non adherence of credit period by the parties and disputes over billing amount/number of guests etc. The realisation of the outstanding amounts is a continuous process which includes periodic review, regular follow-up by way of reminders, personal contacts and legal action wherever necessary etc.

Amendment to IAAI Ground Handling Act

2325. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 373 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th July, 1994 and state whether IAAI Ground Handling Act, 1984 is being amended, if so, the reasons therefor and the details of the amendments to be carried out?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): The International Airports Authority of India (IAAI) have submitted a proposal to the Ministry to restructure the entire IAAI (General Management, Entry for Ground Handling of Air Transport Services) Regulations, 1984. The proposal is under examination of the Ministry.

Routes of Air India

2326. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India is not operating on all routes for which it has got traffic rights;

(b) if so the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have any proposal to hand over such rights to Indian Airlines;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Countries where Air India have traffic rights to operate and are not at present operating are indicated at the enclosed statement. (*See* below).

(c) to (e) Indian Airlines can operate to foreign Countries only if they are designated as an Indian carrier in the relevant bilateral air services agreement. Wherever such designation is available, Air India and Indian Airlines are co-ordinating with each other to ensure optimum utilization of their capacity. Indian Airlines are already operation their services to Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka which are not presently airlinked by Air India in spite of having traffic rights. However, efforts are also made to designate Indian Airlines to more countries subject to operational constraints of their aircraft.

Statement

Countries where Air India are having Traffic rights but are not Operating

1. Australia
2. Austria
3. Bangladesh
4. Belgium
5. Bhutan
6. Bulgaria
7. Burma (Myanmar)
8. China
9. Czechoslovakia
10. Egypt
11. Ethopia
12. Fiji
13. Finland
14. Ghana
15. Hungary
16. Iran
17. Iraq
18. Ireland
19. Israel
20. Jordan
21. Kazakhtan
22. Lebanon
23. Lesotho
24. Nepal
25. Netherland
26. Nigeria
27. Philippines
28. Poland
29. Romania
30. Seychelles
31. South Korea
32. Spain
33. Sri Lanka
34. Syria
35. Tajikistan
36. Turkey
37. Turkmenistan
38. Ukraine
39. Uzbekistan
40. Vietnam
41. Yemen (North)
42. Yemen (South)
43. Yugoslavia
44. Zimbabwe

Catering in Air India

2327. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India plans to restructure catering services; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Improvement of catering service is an ongoing process and the following changes have already been introduced on Air India flights:—

(i) Welcome drink of fresh fruit in first class (for passengers boarding the flight at Bombay).

(ii) Chocolates in presentation box first and executive class passengers.